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House Resolution 849

By: Representatives Scott of the 76<sup>th</sup>, Holly of the 111<sup>th</sup>, Stephenson of the 90<sup>th</sup>, and Douglas of the 78<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Ann Tarpley for receiving the Political, Social, and Civil
- 2 Engagement Award for 2019, as submitted by Phenomenal Women "Soaring Beyond" of
- 3 Henry County, Georgia; for being recognized as a Community Pillar by leveraging
- 4 community engagement through access to information needed for community development;
- 5 and for other purposes.
- 6 WHEREAS, Ann Tarpley has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital
- 7 role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the welfare of
- 8 the citizens of Georgia; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Ann was educated in the Henry County School System and earned an
- 10 Associate's degree in business and a Bachelor of Science degree in human services from
- 11 Shorter University; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Ann serves as the first African American woman to be elected as a council
- 13 member in the City of Hampton, and she made history as the first African American to hold
- 14 the position of Mayor Pro Tem in Hampton; and
- 15 WHEREAS, As a community leader, Ann has helped establish programs for economic
- development; she serves as voice for small business development and sustainability; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Ann serves in many civic capacities, including as the CEO of P4W, Inc., a
- 18 consulting firm that takes individual ideas from concept to maturity; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Ann is also a minister of the Gospel and is founder and pastor of Divine
- 20 InterVention Ministries, which identifies the needs of the community and serves for the
- 21 improvement and spiritual empowerment of others; and

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22 WHEREAS, As role model for youth, she has opened doors for youth education in the

- 23 political and social arenas; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Ann has advocated for and established the first Youth Council in the City of
- 25 Hampton, with the established purpose of ingraining leadership and development skills in
- 26 the next generation of leaders; and
- 27 WHEREAS, Ann has honored the historical value of Hampton, Georgia, by successfully
- 28 initiating the preservation of several historical sites; and
- 29 WHEREAS, she has demonstrated her commitment to the betterment of others by serving
- 30 on the board of directors for the Council on Aging in Henry County and with Soul Changer
- 31 Recovery Program, Inc., in Hampton, for 15 years; and
- 32 WHEREAS, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
- 33 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and
- 34 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
- 35 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.
- 36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 37 the members of this body recognize and commend Ann Tarpley for receiving the Political,
- 38 Social, and Civil Engagement Award and extend their most sincere best wishes for continued
- 39 health and happiness.
- 40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 41 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Ann
- 42 Tarpley.